IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: K. KITAMURA et al. Confirmation No. : 5539

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REPLICATION

Group: 2162

Examiner: D. Myint

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 February 1, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2007, the period for reply thereto being extended one month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time to expire February 1, 2008, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.